

7. (Amended) A method according to claim 4, characterized in that said aqueous solution contains 1 to 10% by weight by volume of ethanol in the water.

8. (Amended) A method according to claim 4, characterized in that said aqueous solution contains 1 to 10% by weight of 2-pyrrolidone in the water.

9. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, characterized in that said area(s) define a visual pattern when observed in transmitted light, as a result of reduction of the opacity of said areas(s).

10. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, characterized in that said area(s) define a visual pattern when observed in reflected light, as a result of the difference in color in said area(s).

11. (Amended) Uncoated paper comprising at least one mark resembling a watermark, and corresponding to a specific area(s) of the uncoated paper having reduced thickness with respect to the rest of the uncoated paper, the weight per surface unit in the area(s) of the paper being identical to that of the rest of the paper, characterized in that this is produced by the method according to claim 1.

13. (Amended) Uncoated paper according to claim 11, characterized in that said area(s) present a color, in particular a tint and/or a luminosity, which is different from that of the rest of the paper.

14. (Amended) Uncoated paper according to claim 11, characterized in that said area(s) comprise agents chosen from amongst colorants, fluorescent agents, fluorescence-inhibiting agents, anti-counterfeiting agents, and authentication agents.

15. (Amended) Uncoated paper according to claim 11, characterized in that this comprises two or more fibrous webs.

16. (Amended) Uncoated paper according to claim 15, characterized in that only one of the surface webs has a reduced thickness and/or a difference in tint and/or luminosity in said area(s), with respect to the rest of the multi-web paper.

17. (Amended) Uncoated paper according to claim 11, characterized in that this comprises two or more laminated sheets of paper.

18. (Amended) Uncoated paper according to claim 17, characterized in that the laminating adhesive is colored.

19. (Amended) Uncoated paper according to claim 17, characterized in that only one of the sheets of laminated paper has a reduced thickness and/or difference in tint and/or a difference in luminosity in said area(s), with respect to the rest of the laminated paper.

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